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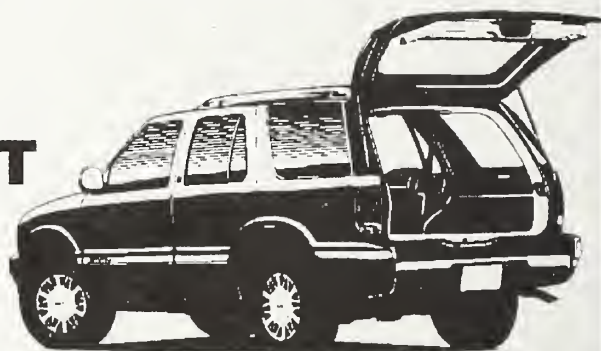
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## Cover Contest

### Mattapoisett Seeks Local Artists, Photographers

By Kenneth J. Souza

Artist Andy Warhol once said that everyone is famous for fifteen minutes.

Well, in Mattapoisett, residents are getting the chance to have their fifteen minutes of fame permanently printed on the cover of the latest Annual Town Report. Several town officials have come up with a photo/artwork contest whereby a panel of judges will select one photo, drawing or painting to grace the cover of the town's 1996 Annual Report.

Both Selectman Michele C. Bernier and Executive Secretary Carol Adams hatched the plan to offer residents a chance to exercise their artistic tendencies. "I would go around taking photos of all the town buildings every year (for the cover)," Ms. Adams said. "But the problem is there are only so many buildings in town."

Instead of going back to the somewhat static pen and ink drawing of the Indian from the town seal — which used to be a staple of the Town Report — Selectman Bernier and Ms. Adams thought it would be a good opportunity to showcase some local talent. As such, the Board of Selectmen sanctioned the first of what they hope will be an annual contest to select one entry as the Town Report "cover shot."

"Last year was the first time we used a color photo on the cover," said Selectmen Secretary Melody Pacheco. "It was well-received ... and this year we're going to use a different typeface to make the report look better." Ms. Pacheco — who is in charge of collecting entry forms for the contest — said she's already given out about a half-dozen applications. She expects the contest to draw (pun intended) several local artists and photographers — both amateurs and professionals alike.

"I'm sure we'll get some good entries," Ms. Pacheco said. When asked what types of artwork she expects to receive, she added: "I think we might get just about anything."

Selectman Bernier said the contest is also a way to encourage people to become involved in the town, rather than just watch it from the sidelines. "I think this is a great opportunity for people to feel like they're a part of town history," she said. "It will be great to have someone's artwork on the cover."

The entries will be judged by a panel of three, including: Mattapoisett artist Henry Avery, teacher/artist Peter Michael Martin, and Rogers Gallery and Framery proprietor Louise Rogers. The winning entry will have the distinction of appearing on the cover of some 1,500 copies of the Annual Town Report which is being printed by Athol Press from Athol, MA and will be available by the Annual Town Meeting this spring.

"I know I always have a copy of the Town Report handy ... I refer to it all the time," Selectman Bernier said. "I think the winner will be proud that their work is in

everyone's home."

If you are a Mattapoisett resident artist, photographer, or like to dabble with paints, the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen cordially invites you to participate in the contest to select a cover for the next Annual Town Report. Entry forms and contest information may be obtained by contacting Melody Pacheco in the Selectmen's Office (758-4100), or by stopping by Town Hall. All art work and completed entry forms must be received at Town Hall no later than 3:00 pm on Friday, March 14.

Entries will be displayed at Town Hall and judged during the week of March 17. The winning entry will be announced at the Selectmen's meeting on Tuesday, March 25 at 7:00 pm.

## Racing Relay

### Marion Hosts Pinewood Derby Saturday

By Kenneth J. Souza

Cub Scouts Jared Nourse and Steven Barry of Marion have been busy working on their cars in

*On the cover: This photograph taken at the Mattapoisett Town Wharf is an example of the many scenic sites which could grace the cover of this year's Annual Town Report. Town officials are sponsoring a contest this year to solicit artwork and photographs from residents. (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).*

*Cover insert: Marion Cub Scouts Jared Nourse and Steven Barry pose with some car samples and the trophies which will be awarded at this weekend's Pinewood Derby. The event will kick off at 12:00 noon Saturday at the Music Hall on Front Street. (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).*

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preparation for the big race this weekend. No, the boys aren't aspiring mechanics or budding stock car drivers ... but they *are* members of Marion Cub Scout Pack 32, which will be sponsoring and participating in a miniature road race known as the Pinewood Derby on Saturday, March 1 at the town's historic Music Hall.

According to Pack Committee Chairman Joan Hartnett-Barry, about 40 members of the local scout pack will be participating in Saturday's event. The race is slated to begin at 12:00 noon, but participants will check in by 10:00 am to make sure their small, wooden cars are "road worthy" according to the rules established by the Pinewood Derby. If adjustments need to be made, the boys can still have time to make them in order to qualify.

Every year more than one million Cub Scouts and parents team up to participate in the derby. Marion's Pack 32 has recently renewed a longstanding Cub Scout tradition by scheduling a race after two years of inactivity. Ms. Hartnett-Barry noted that there has been a lapse recently due to lack of interest and leadership, but Marion Eagle Scout Bart Nourse helped to get the ball rolling again this year. As a former Cub Scout he wanted to see the tradition carry on, and he has been instrumental in getting the Pinewood Derby reinstated, Ms. Hartnett-Barry said.

The whole idea of the Pinewood Derby harkens back to the scout motto: "Be Prepared." The scouts are given minimal items which they then have to fashion into

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The first Pinewood Derby was held in 1953 by Cub Scout Pack 280C of Manhattan Beach, California. The event was publicized in *Boys' Life* magazine in October of 1954. The magazine offered plans for the track and car, which featured "four wheels, four nails, and three blocks of wood."

The rules of the very first race stated: "The derby is run in heats — two to five cars starting by gravity from a standstill on a track and run down a ramp to a finish

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Over forty years later, the same rules still apply. In order to qualify for the race, each car is inspected by the judges and must meet the following criteria: the car must have been made during the current year; the width of the car shall not exceed two and three-quarter inches; the length of the car shall not exceed seven inches; the weight of the car shall not exceed five ounces; axles, wheels, and body wood shall be provided in the kit; wheel bearings, washers, and bushings are provided; the car shall not ride on any type of springs; any details added must be within length, width, and weight limits; the car must be freewheeling with no starting devices; no loose materials of any kind (such as lead shot) are allowed in the car; and the official number must be clearly marked on both sides of the car.

Steven Barry proudly displayed his car which was nearly complete earlier this week. The dark, glossy green entry needed only to be numbered and a miniature plastic driver needed to be glued into place behind the wheel. "I've already glued in all kinds of parts," Steven said. "I painted the car and driver."

The 1997 Pinewood Derby to be held at the Marion Music Hall on Saturday, March 1 at 12:00 noon is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be available.

Immediately following the race, there will be 11 trophies awarded — eight of them will be for the top eight winners of the Pinewood Derby. Three additional trophies will also be awarded, one in each of the following areas: originality, design, and sportsmanship.

"All the boys are really excited about (the derby)," Ms. Hartnett-Barry said. "The race should be a lot of fun."

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### Mattapoisett Selectman's Meeting

February 25, 1997

By Pamela L. Sylvia

A regular meeting of the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, February 25 at 7:00 pm by Chairman John N. DeCosta. Also present were Selectman Paul E. Lambalot, Selectman Michele C. Bernier, and Executive Secretary Carol Adams.

After approving the minutes of the February 18 meeting, the board met with members of the Library Trustees about repairs for the facility. With the upper balcony noticeably sagging, the board suggested having the building inspected by a structural engineer. The results showed the building is in need of significant help.

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• Safety Officer Sgt. Paul Magee forwards a letter relative to a handicapped parking request for the Mattapoisett Historical Museum;

• Continental Cablevision announced that subscribers in Mattapoisett will be receiving a one-time credit of \$3.22 on their bills, which represents the difference between the projected programming costs and the actual programming costs.

The following meeting is scheduled for the week:

• Thursday, February 27 at 7:00 pm — North Street Survey Committee Meeting will gather in the Town Hall Conference Room;

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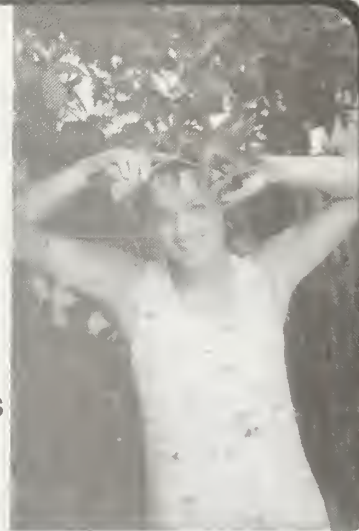


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There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening.

### Marion Selectmen's Meeting

*February 25, 1997*

**By Kenneth J. Souza**

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, February 25 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Jonathan "Jody" Dickerson. Also present were Selectman Loretta B. Schaefer, Selectman Albert E. Winters, Executive Secretary Ray Pickles, and Secretary Helene Craver.

After approving the minutes of the February 4 and February 11 meetings of the board, and signing the treasury warrant for the week, the board met with David Hirschberg of the Growth Management Committee (GMC), George "T. J." Walker of the Planning Board, and various other Planning Board members to discuss the upcoming Special Town Meeting. Mr. Walker noted that the Planning Board has been putting the finishing touches

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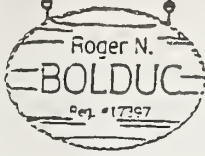
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on the articles for the warrant and the Special Town Meeting will include 17 articles to affect zoning changes in the town.

"We've met with the Conservation Commission, the Finance Committee, and the Board of Health," Mr. Walker said. "I think the message is getting out. We've received a great deal of input from residents ... in fact, we have two amendments to the articles as written which will be made on the floor."

Stephen P. Hayes of the FinCom was present at the meeting and added that his committee is supporting all the Planning Board articles on the warrant. "We believe (these articles) will give us more of a tax base in town," he said.

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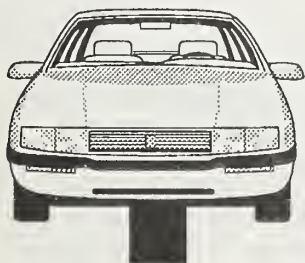
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"These articles appear to be a significant first step in implementing the goals of the Growth Management Committee," said GMC member David Hirschberg. "The GMC supports the zoning changes and right now we're working with the Planning Board to get the accurate information out to people before the Special Town Meeting."

Chairman Dickerson noted that the Board of Selectmen will also be sending a letter of support out to residents endorsing the zoning articles.

"We're thrilled with the level of cooperation we've received from the local boards and local businesses," Mr. Walker said. "I think the (Selectmen) need to be thanked for establishing the Growth Management Committee and helping us make these changes."

The Selectmen were equally pleased with the hard work of the Planning Board in implementing the zoning by-law changes. "I think the most exciting thing is that (your board) has taken the opportunity to look forward instead of just reacting," Selectman Schaefer said. "Hopefully, the town will support your efforts."

At 7:15 pm the board met with David Arms of the Marine Resources Commission (MRC) and Harbormaster George Jennings to discuss proposed changes to the town's Waterways Regulations. Mr. Arms explained that the MRC is recommending changes which have been developed through a five-year study of safety, property protection, and administrative issues concerning the management of Sippican Harbor in the wake of Hurricane

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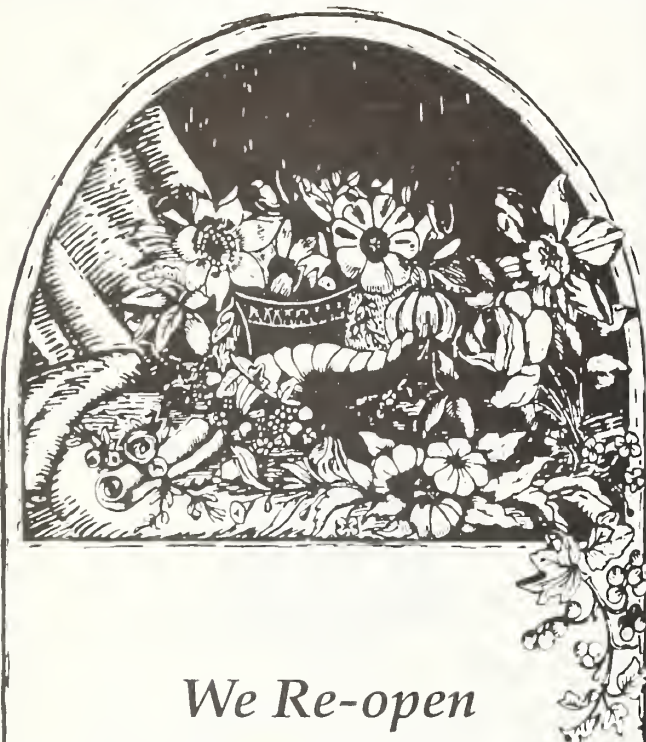


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"The major recommended change is for the requirement of a Helix-type mooring to be used by boats 25 feet in length and longer, to be phased in over a three-year period," Mr. Arms cited from a written report. "There have already been 114 Helix-type moorings voluntarily installed in Marion waters since 1993. Approximately 400 moorings would be affected by the new requirement. About one half of these are rental moorings."

Mr. Arms noted that boat owners with five or more moorings would be given five years in which to switch over, as the requirement might be construed as a financial hardship on multiple boat owners.

A second recommended change would give the Harbormaster the authority to enforce the forfeiture of vacant, unused or abandoned permitted mooring locations. "Marion's Inner Harbor has been operating with a mooring waiting list for a number of years," Mr. Arms read to the board. "The list has been closed to new applicants in recent years due to the slow turn over of mooring permit holders. The MRC felt that vacant, unused or abandoned moorings should be made available to those who would actively use the locations."

Selectman Schaefer wanted to know when a mooring was considered "abandoned"? Mr. Arms and Mr. Jennings agreed — and cited the wording in the Waterways Regulations — that any mooring which goes through two consecutive years of non-use would forfeit its space. "There are currently 46 moorings in Marion

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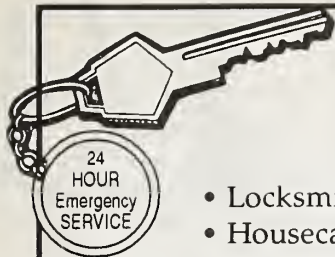
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which have been vacant for two or more years," Mr. Arms said.

Mr. Arms summarized the other recommended amendments as focusing on providing better definitions of personal and commercial moorings, clarifying the mooring application fee pay procedures, and issuing a second notice requirement for annual mooring fees. "After the first billing, we'd like to send a second notice to everyone 30 days later," Mr. Arms said. "And we want to make it clear that the penalties for non-payment are severe ... if you don't pay, you'll lose your mooring."

Mr. Arms and Mr. Jennings said they would like to send out a notice to all mooring permit holders by April 1 to alert them to the new Waterways Regulations. As such, the Board of Selectmen agreed to take the

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recommended changes under advisement and would act on them at their March 18 meeting. That would give the MRC two weeks to prepare a notice for April 1. Mr. Arms advised that residents who want further information can contact himself or any member of the MRC prior to final approval of the new regulations.

At 7:40 pm the board met with Ben Bryant and Karl Sittler to discuss a Community Workshop on "Building Sustainable Communities." Mr. Bryant explained that they recently attended a presentation on this program, which was developed by a researcher in Sweden in 1989. They have scheduled a workshop at Sippican School on April 5 which will be presented by Michael Oates, Chip Sheperd, and Steve Fortier. Both Mr. Bryant and Mr. Sittler would like at least half of the maximum 50 participants to be comprised of town officials.

"There are 50 slots, we'd like to reserve 25 for town officials and open the remainder to the general public," Mr. Bryant said. "So we're here tonight first to invite (the Selectmen) to attend, second to ask (the board) to provide us with a list of possible town officials and department heads who might attend, and finally to ask for your sponsorship of the presentation."

The board unanimously voted to support the program, which will be held from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm on April 5 at Sippican School. Lunch will be provided. The cost for the workshop is \$5 for students/seniors, and \$10 to \$30 for all others, depending on their ability to pay.

Under incoming correspondence, the board received:

- Letter from Garaventa USA, Inc. regarding the recent bid they submitted for the elevator sub-contract at the Marion Music Hall. According to New England District Manager James Hunt, they were advised that their bid was rejected due to "an error in their paperwork." Mr. Hunt was writing to protest this action.

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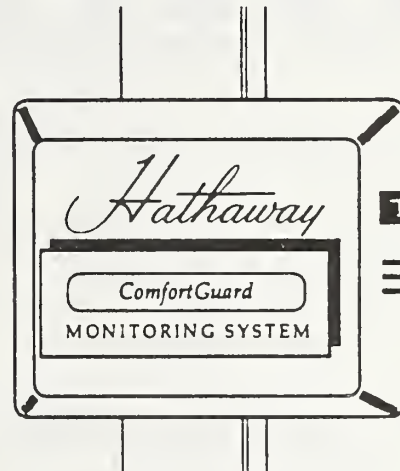


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Mr. Pickles noted that under the circumstances, he is "relatively sure" the town can re-bid the project, since it appears to be a clerical error. "It's in everyone's best interest not to delay this any longer than necessary," he said.

• Notice from the Executive Office of

Environmental Affairs (EOEA) that Marion has received a grade of "A" on their 1997 Municipal Recycling Report Card for recycling 32 percent of its total solid waste. In addition, the EOEA is awarding the town a Municipal Recycling Grant in the amount of \$11,633 — \$593 for Consumer Education Material, and \$11,040 for Set-Out Containers. Regional Sanitarian Karen Walega was also named "Outstanding Recycler for 1996" in Marion. Selectman Schaefer asked that Ms. Walega be sent a letter of congratulations from the board.

Mr. Pickles reviewed some budget items for the upcoming Annual Town Meeting, and suggested the board consider implementing a fee for privileged parking stickers and beach stickers for residents at both Silvershell Beach and Planting Island. "I think that's one of the only ways we can be sure to get money for beach repairs and maintenance," he said. "We might even issue two stickers — one for beach users and one for parking only."

Selectman Winters had some reservations about setting up a user's fee. "I don't feel we should be charging people to use town resources," he said. "Why should someone have to pay to use the town beach?"

But Selectman Schaefer said it would be worth considering, as funding has become scarce for beach improvements. "There are two sides to this issue," she said.

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Mr. Pickles said he didn't recommend implementing a user fee for all so-called privileged parking stickers, just those for people who use the beaches and park there. "Based on last year's (sticker receipts), we would collect an estimated \$7,400 each year," he said.

The board asked Mr. Pickles to check into surrounding communities and report back to them on their policies as to user fees and beach stickers. The board agreed to table this matter pending further discussion.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 8:50 pm.

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### Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

February 24, 1997

By Pamela L. Sylvia

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, February 24 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Lorraine Roy Hawkes. Also present were Selectman William D. Chamberlain, Selectman Richard D. Cutler, Executive Secretary Russell Dean, and Secretary Veronica Lafreniere.

After approving the minutes of the February 18 meeting, the board heard Executive Secretary Russell Dean's weekly report. He informed the board that six bids were submitted for the Topographical Study of the town. The deadline for final bid opening is April 22.

Under incoming correspondence for the week, the board received:

- Letter from Carol St. Don requesting the use of the Town Hall Conference Room on March 8. The board unanimously granted her request;
- Letter from James W. Sewall Company informing the board that they have decided not to bid on the prospective job involving the GIS database;
- Copy of correspondence to Senator Theresa Murray from the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs (EOEA) regarding the Buzzards Bay Action Committee (BBAC). The letter was just a "thank you" in response to the board's recent reply;
- Letter from the EOEA regarding the Municipal Recycling Report Card in which the Town of Rochester received a grade of "B." Rochester has recycled 21 percent of its municipal solid waste. In addition, Highway Surveyor Jeffrey Eldridge was designated as "Outstanding Recycler for 1996" in Rochester;
- Letter from Andrew Bobola regarding the proposed rules and regulations for Snipatuit Pond. Mr.



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• Request from Robert Nissen regarding the Mary's Pond Beach Committee. Mr. Nissen wants to serve on the committee. Selectman Cutler suggested bringing the committee to speak before the board in the near future.

The board wished to remind residents that the last day to register to vote in the Annual Town Election is March 27. If residents are unable to vote, or will be out of town the day of the election (April 16), they should contact the Town Clerk's office to apply for an absentee ballot. Voters may fill out the absentee ballot in person at the Town Clerk's office, or return it by mail. For further information, residents can call 763-3871.

At 7:15 pm the board met with Pamela Truesdale of the Coalition for Buzzards Bay (CBB). Ms. Truesdale distributed copies of the CBB's *Baywatch* report, which explains the water monitoring program in the local communities. More importantly, Ms. Truesdale brought a list of recommendations which the Town of Rochester can use for future use. These tips included:

- Continuing to develop a Conservation Restriction Program;
- Implementing the goals of the town's new Open Space Plan with management for growth, while preserving tracts of open space and natural habitats;
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Ms. Truesdale made it evident to the board that the CBB is very interested in re-establishing the channels of communication for the future. She offered to help in any way possible. The CBB decided to do away with giving Environmental Report Cards this year, feeling they needed a new way to communicate with the members of each area town.

At 7:30 pm the board met with Greenwood Hartley III regarding the Earth Removal Permit he requested. Mr. Hartley met with the board to explain the status of Phase 2 of this project. He wants to build three cranberry bogs for the Spring of 1998. He wanted to know the board's interpretation of the permit. The board decided to view the property on March 8 at 11:30 am to



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At 8:00 pm the board met with members of the Finance Committee (FinCom) as well as members of the Council on Aging (COA) to discuss budget plans for the next fiscal year. While discussing expenses for the COA, no major money items were mentioned. The Board of Selectmen, as well as the FinCom, agreed to approve the proposed \$7,250 budget.

The board reconvened as the Personnel Board to discuss pending personnel items and would adjourn for the evening upon completion.

### Acushnet Selectmen's Meeting

February 24, 1997

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Acushnet Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, February 24 at 6:00 pm by Chairman Everett L. Hardy Jr. Also present were Selectman Peter W. Koczera and Selectman Robert J. St. Jean.

Under incoming correspondence for the week, the board received a reply from the Bristol County Mosquito Control Project (BCMCP) regarding a lot located on South Orchard Street in Acushnet. Nancy Medeiros contacted the BCMCP saying she would like to build on the lot but has been denied a building permit due to a ditch that crosses the property. The BCMCP admitted to cleaning a ditch on the property at the request of the Acushnet Board of Selectmen in September, 1986. It is their understanding that the ditch has been there for some time, and it is located on Lot #284 between Lawson Avenue and Porter Street.

Selectman Koczera moved to send copies of the letter to the Board of Health, the Conservation Commission, and the Building Department for their input.

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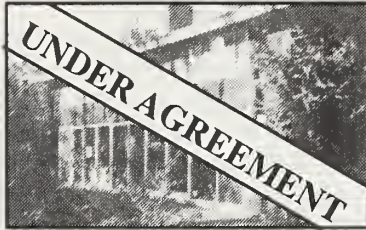
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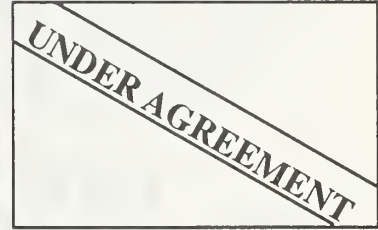
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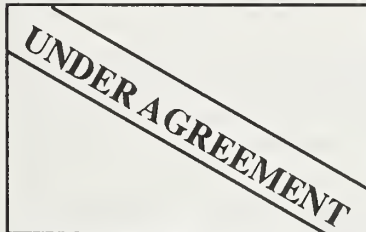
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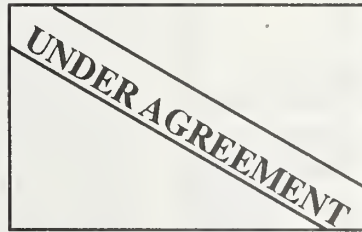
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copies of a series of reports on the parking conditions on Main Street near Jackson's Auction Barn (1092 Main Street). The board previously requested that the Police Department monitor the parking situation near the establishment to determine whether or not the cars parked off the street obstruct oncoming traffic. The board voted to forward this information to the Safety Committee and the owner of the Auction Barn.

Hector Roy of Main Street next sent a copy of a letter he sent to Building Inspector James Buckles regarding the Hen House Restaurant. Mr. Roy contends that the establishment is in violation of an Appeals Board variance in a residential neighborhood — in particular, that the Hen House is using a portion of an adjacent lot for parking.

Selectman St. Jean noted that this letter was sent to Mr. Buckles two weeks ago. The board advised that they would like a response from Mr. Buckles by March 3 on this matter.

Finance Committee (FinCom) member Russell Goyette next submitted a letter of resignation to the board. Mr. Goyette cited family responsibilities and an increased work schedule as his reasons for stepping down from the FinCom. Selectman Koczera moved to accept Mr. Goyette's resignation with regret, and asked that a letter of appreciation be sent to him for his past service. The board also noted that there are currently two vacancies on the FinCom. Although they have received a letter of interest from David S. Vieira, they are still looking for people to serve on the FinCom. Interested residents should contact the Acushnet Selectmen's office at 998-0200.

The board received a report from the Planning Board regarding retreat lots/common driveways as per their previous discussion. The board agreed to review the material and unanimously voted to place the information

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Bristol County Sheriff David R. Nelson's office next sent a letter via Police Chief Michael Poitras regarding their increased costs for "lock ups" in the next fiscal year. According to the letter, the county will have to increase their prisoner lock up rate from \$35 to \$50 a day per prisoner, effective July 1, 1997. As such, Chief Poitras noted that his departmental budget will have to increase line item #5580 by approximately \$2,850 to cover this expense for fiscal year 1998. The board agreed to forward this matter to the FinCom for their recommendation.

The board also received a resume from a resident interested in filling the part-time Animal Control Officer's (ACO) position if and when existing Animal Control Officer Alfred Brouillette moves into a full-time position. Chairman Hardy noted that the young lady apparently saw an article in the newspaper in which Mr. Brouillette expressed the need for a full-time ACO, and she thought she could apply for the part-time position.

Since this matter remains undecided at the present time, the board unanimously voted to place the letter and resume on file for future consideration. They also requested that Mr. Brouillette come in to see them on March 10.

Chairman Hardy noted that a couple of articles on the forthcoming Special Town Meeting warrant (February 27) were still being reviewed by Town Counsel as to their proper wording and legality. "We've found a couple of errors with the articles and motions from the floor," he said. "Town Counsel will be reviewing them and we'll make our recommendations (at Town Meeting)."

The board also received a copy of a letter from the Fairhaven Board of Selectmen regarding the proposed Route 240 extension. Selectman St. Jean recommended the board draft a letter "mirroring the Fairhaven board's

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opinion" in support of the extension. The board unanimously voted to draft a similar letter to be sent to Senator Mark Montigny and Representative Robert Koczera.

"The idea of extending (Route 240) is to get all the big trucks off Main Street in Acushnet," Selectman Koczera said. "We were just suggesting a basic idea to extend the (highway) to the back of the Tilcon plant. If it costs too much, we won't do it. This is all just preliminary right now."

At 6:50 pm the board met with Harmish Blackman of the Wellness Corporation to discuss a No Cost Employee Assistance Program provided by MEGA. The program would provide free counseling sessions to town employees of participating municipalities, with the exception of the police and fire departments. However, if Acushnet were interested, both police and fire personnel could be added under an attached agreement. The board agreed to take the matter under advisement for two weeks and said they would get back to Mr. Blackman.

At 7:10 pm the board met with Mark Bossé of Feitelberg Insurance. Mr. Bossé said he wanted to update the board on their current policy in terms of liability and coverage, and he also wanted to know if the board wanted to drop or add any coverage. Selectman Koczera suggested they reschedule Mr. Bossé for a daytime meeting so they could review the details of the town's policy without being under time constraints. In addition, the board wanted Mr. Bossé to review an inquiry from the

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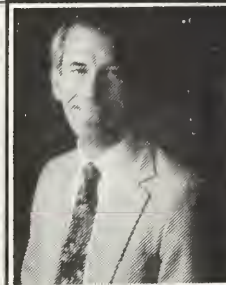
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Police Department regarding a hypothetical situation and the town's liability. The board agreed to meet again with Mr. Bossé on Thursday, March 20 at 8:00 am.

At 7:40 pm the board met with John Capaldi, President of Tilcon, to discuss the plant's closure plan in the event of a future shutdown. Mr. Capaldi noted they've "made some progress" since he last met with the board, but they've since hired a subcontractor for drilling and blasting at the quarry, and they also will be assisting in preparing a closure plan.

"We'll be starting up again in March," Mr. Capaldi said. "We're working out a service with (the subcontractors) to develop a minimum plan which will be charged by the ton. They'll help us prepare a closure plan

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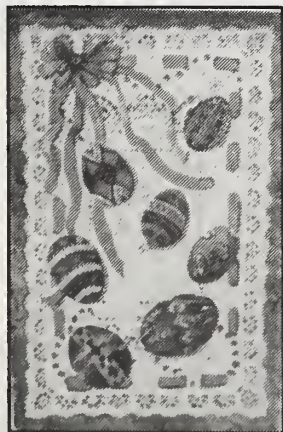
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... that's the good news. On the down side, they haven't yet examined the site. So I'll need to buy a little time so they can come up with a closure plan."

Mr. Capaldi suggested they reschedule another meeting sometime in June or July so the subcontractors can attend and assist in the presentation. He also agreed to work on a draft proposal in the meantime, which he will give to the board sometime within the next week.

"I'd like to see the town work with you on this plan so we can develop it together," Selectman Koczera said. "We just want to know who's responsible if the plant closes so that Acushnet isn't left with a hole in the ground."

The board agreed to contact Mr. Capaldi in June to reschedule a meeting to discuss the development of a closure plan.

At 7:50 pm the board voted to go into Executive Session to discuss pending contract negotiations. They would thereafter adjourn for the evening.

### Sports Shorts

By Pamela L. Sylvia

#### ■ Old Rochester Regional High School

• In Girls Basketball, the Lady Bulldogs had a successful week with two victories. On Monday, February 17, they handily defeated Carver 60-30, leading them to the finals of the **Harwich Winterfest Tournament**. They earned the 4th seed in the Division 3 State Tournament with a record of 19-3. They will face **Fairhaven High School** in the opening round Thursday night (February 27) at 7:00 pm at ORR.

• As for Boys Basketball, the ORR team is gearing up for the **State Tournament** as the 15th seed. They will play at 2nd seed Medfield, with their strong record of 17-3. This game will be played at Medfield High School on Wednesday (February 26) at 7:00 pm.

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• Coming out of last Sunday's Eastern Massachusetts Class A and D Meet, ORR's Josh Bender and Liz Perry are now Class D Champions in the shot put. Bender won his personal best, area's best, and school record of 59 feet, 8 inches. His previous best was 58 feet, 6.5 inches, the 5th best in the country. Liz Perry set a record with her 37 feet, 10 inch shot, and will join Bender at this Saturday's All-State Championships. The week after that, Josh will take his talents to the Nationals.

Also advancing to the All-State competition are members of the girls' 4 x 800 meter relay team: Kathryn Pereira, Alison Rossi, Kaidi Stroud, and Johanna Lindberg. Their second place finish was accomplished in a time of 10:20.8.

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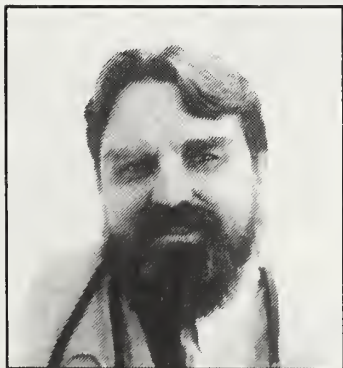
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### ■ Old Colony Regional Voke

• In Boys Basketball on Monday, February 17, the Old Colony Cougars defeated West Bridgewater 76-36, tuning up for the Division 4 State Tournament. **John Madden** led his Cougar teammates, scoring 20 points. On Wednesday, February 19, the Cougars finished their regular season with a victory over Bristol-Plymouth, 65-54. They finished their regular season with a record of 16-4, earning the second seed in the division. They have a first round bye, and will play the winner of the Dover-Sherborn/Bristol-Plymouth matchup. The game will be played on Thursday (February 27) at Old Colony beginning at 7:00 pm.

### ■ Fairhaven High School

• In Girls Basketball, the Lady Blue Devils finished their regular season with a five-game winning streak. On February 17, the girls breezed by Westport with a 55-39 victory. They are currently gearing up to face rival **Old Rochester Regional High School** in the first round of the Division 3 State Tournament. Fairhaven earned the 13th seed with an overall record of 13-9.

• In Boys Basketball, the Blue Devils concluded their season on Monday, February 17 with a 58-43 win over Westport in the finals of the first annual **Blue Devil Basketball Tournament** at the Mel Entin Gymnasium. The Devils finished their season going 9-13.

• In Track, Fairhaven's **Kim Melanson** placed third in the 300 meters (42.73) and also tied for fifth in the high jump (5-0) at the **Eastern Massachusetts Class A and D Meet** last Sunday (February 23). She also anchored the Blue Devils' 4 x 400 relay team, which finished fifth at 4:23.82. **Bryan Silveira** placed fourth in the 2-mile with a time of 10:25:60.

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Also still available this week: a very sweet black and white long-haired female (six to eight months). Her name is "Sabrina" and would prefer to be queen of her new home. Please call one of the local Animal Umbrella representatives if interested in her. The group is happy to announce that "Simon," the featured cat in last week's edition, and two project kittens were adopted last Sunday.

In the dog category this week from the Fairhaven Animal Shelter: a collie mix, a Portuguese hunting dog (male), a real sweet black and white female setter (35 pounds), an adorable beagle puppy, and two shepherd puppies. These offerings will be at the National Pet Center on Saturday, March 1 from 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm for the group's first "Dog Adoption Day."

Also at the Fairhaven Animal Shelter: a female chow mix. All dogs are heartworm negative and have been rabies vaccinated. If you would like to see them ahead of time, please call Kristin at 979-4028.

The local chapter of Animal Umbrella, Inc. is still working on their project and are discovering that many of the cats are adoptable and are all spayed, vaccinated, and tested for feline leukemia and AIDS. If you can help them, either to foster a cat or two or are willing to adopt, please call one of the following Animal Umbrella representatives:

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### Fin, Fur and Feather Club

The Fin, Fur and Feather Club invites the public to join the members at a Spaghetti Supper on Saturday, March 8 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm at the clubhouse, 35 Crystal Spring Road in Mattapoisett. Tickets are \$6 and are available by calling Walt Gajewski at 763-2706 or Gilly Costa at 763-5664, or at the door. The public is also welcome for trapshooting every Sunday from 1:00 to 4:00 pm, weather permitting. Price is \$2.25 per round.

### Planting Day at Spragues Cove

The Buzzards Bay Project (BBP) will host a community planting day at the Spragues Cove Constructed Wetland. Due to the incredibly wet weather experienced last fall, the BBP had to postpone the seeding until this spring. The wetland was installed in 1995 to reduce stormwater pollution discharging into Spragues Cove. Although the wetland vegetation is thriving, some of the dikes need additional seeding.

The new date has been set as Saturday, April 12 between 12:30 and 4:30 pm. All ages are invited to attend. Containers for seed will be provided, as well as some rakes. If you have a rake which you can bring along, please do.

In addition, an educational display sign will be installed and dedicated at the same location. For further information, please call the Buzzards Bay Project at 748-3600. The BBP looks forward to seeing everyone on April 12.

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Bridget McDonough, RN, a pain consultant for long-term care facilities and a marketing/liaison person for Wingate At Home will present the program. She will discuss clinical approaches to pain management, barriers to pain management, treating pain in the elderly and common causes of pain in the elderly.

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### Who Was Francis Millet?

In rounding the corner of Cannon Street and Water Street in Mattapoisett, have you ever read the bronze plaque which hangs on the house on the northeast corner of this intersection? It marks the birthplace of Francis Davis Millet, noted artist/journalist.

On Sunday afternoon, March 9 at 2:00 pm, the Mattapoisett Historical Society will host a program on the interesting and varied life of this native son. Mr. Peter Engstrom of East Bridgewater has done considerable research into the life and accomplishments of Francis Millet and he will share, through slides and a talk, some of the interesting aspects of Millet's life. Francis Millet was an author, a portrait painter, a muralist, and a journalist in this country and abroad.

The program is open to the public and the Historical Society invites you to attend this program at the Museum and Carriage House, 5 Church Street, Mattapoisett.

### Scholarship Finalist from Rochester

The National Merit Scholarship Corporation informed Old Rochester Regional High School that Jacqueline J. Peltier of Rochester has been selected as a National Merit Scholarship Finalist for the 1997 competition for scholarships. The selection of 7,000 Merit Scholarship winners from approximately 14,000 finalists is now in progress. In March, the Merit Scholarship Foundation will begin mailing scholarship offers to winners at their home addresses. The meeting of the rigorous requirement for finalist standing in the 1997 National Merit Scholarship program places Jacqueline in a



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*Confirmation Rehearsal*

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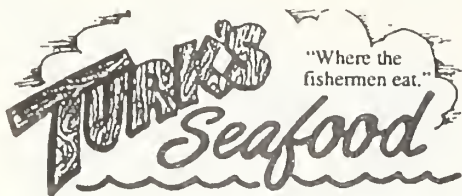
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 Rev. Edward E. Correia (Jesus: The Center of The  
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 Prayer at 7:30 pm with a homily by Rev. Brian J.  
 Harrington (Jesus: A Man of Prayer); Wednesday, March 5  
 - Penance Service with confessions heard by visiting  
 priests at 7:30 pm with a homily by Rev. Douglas H. Sousa  
 (Jesus: Forgiving and Merciful Savior); Thursday, March 6  
 - Celebration of the Eucharist at 7:30 pm with a homily by  
 Rev. David A. Pregana (Jesus: Saving Sacrifice and Bread  
 of Life).

### Men's Fellowship in Marion

Join the Men's Fellowship on Sunday, March 23 at  
 8:30 am in St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church Parish Hall in  
 Marion for a presentation by Dr. Carl von Essen. Dr. von  
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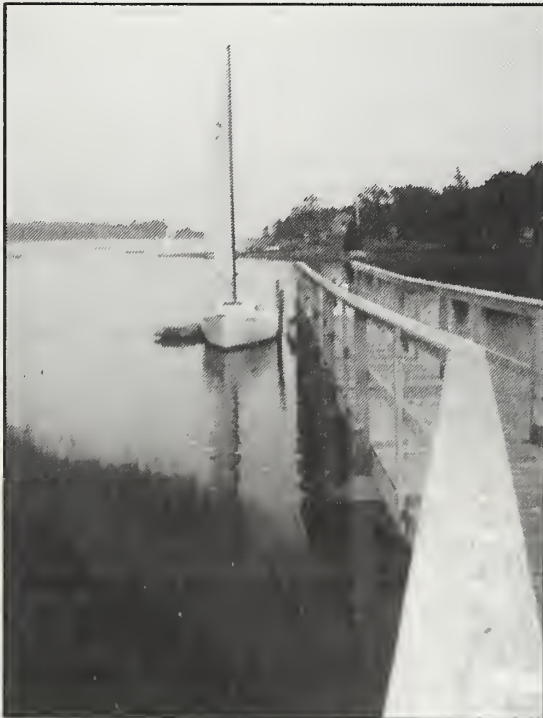
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### **Mattapoisett Lions Club**

The Mattapoisett Lions Club will be holding a monthly Pancake Breakfast now through May. The breakfasts will take place on Sunday mornings from 8:00 to 11:00 am at the American Legion Hall on Depot Street in Mattapoisett. Upcoming breakfasts will be held on March 23, April 20, and May 18.

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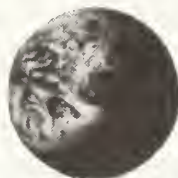
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- March 20 - Irish Bash at Lantan's Restaurant, Randolph. Event includes vocals, instrumentals, step dancing, story telling, and humor. Cost is \$44 per person.

- April 15 - Parker's Maple Barn, Mason, NH. Event includes crafts, food, and orchard visit. Cost is \$31 per person.

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- July 17 - Bill Foster's Clambake in York, ME.

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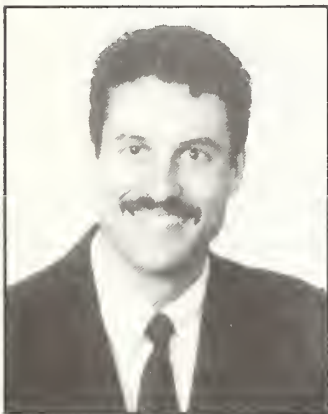
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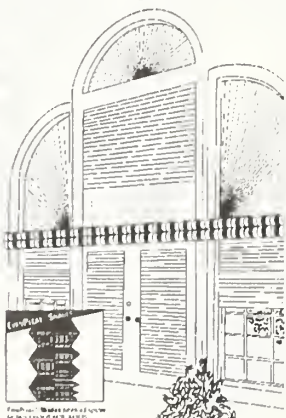
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### Women's Community Guild

The next meeting of the Women's Community Guild will be held on Tuesday, March 4 at 1:00 pm in Reynard Hall of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. The program will be "Ladies Afloat in France," a slide travel presentation by Hope and Ruth Atkinson. The presentation will include excellent photographs with in-person information and witty comments. Guests are always welcome.

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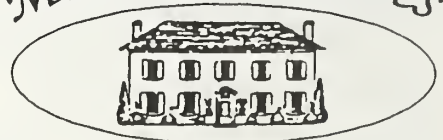
The Acushnet Sea Shell Steppers' "St. Patrick's Gala" will be held at the Acushnet Elementary School on Saturday, March 1 at 8:00 pm. The square and round dancing will be mainstream-plus level, the caller will be Jim Schell, and the cuer will be Anna McDougall. For more information, please call 995-2209 or 995-7204.

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## Singleton's *Rosewood* is a chilling, realistic examination of racism

BY ROB GONSALVES

■ *Rosewood*. Starring Ving Rhames and Jon Voight. Directed by John Singleton. Running time: 142 minutes. MPAA rating: R. At Cinema 140 in New Bedford.

John Singleton probably wouldn't enjoy being likened to Steven Spielberg, but his new *Rosewood* cements the likeness. I mean that as a compliment. Singleton's best work (*Boys 'N' the Hood*, *Higher Learning*, and now *Rosewood*), like Spielberg's, has a sincerity rare in these ironic times, and an emotional directness that's rarer still. He also lifts bits of many earlier movies, but he uses them as archetypes or icons, not as homages or hip references. That's the difference between an opportunistic copycat (hi, Quentin; howdy, George Lucas) and an artist.

*Rosewood* is John Singleton's epic — his bold attempt to mount a *Schindler's List*-caliber tale of courage in the face of annihilation. The movie is based on the real-life 1923 massacre in Rosewood, Florida, a swampside town populated almost exclusively by blacks. In the neighboring town of Sumner, a white woman beaten by her white lover blames her bruises on a black man, and the vicious crackers of Sumner descend on Rosewood, a place they've always resented: The blacks there are economically (if not socially) better off than the whites.

Singleton's camera regards the ensuing atrocity with a mixture of unblinking documentary style and fleeting glimpses of horror. The technique explicitly recalls Spielberg's shocking ghetto-liquidation scene in

*Schindler's List*, with the added chilling knowledge that this happened in this country, in this century. The massacre is among the most ferociously repulsive sequences ever filmed — the racist id at play.

To balance the horror, *Rosewood* has two ironic heroes — black war veteran Mr. Mann (Ving Rhames) and white storekeeper John Wright (Jon Voight) — and this is perhaps where many people will part company with Singleton. The classical heroism of these men (especially Mr. Mann, who's right out of a western) would seem jarring juxtaposed with the ugly realism of the lynch mobs and slaughtered babies. But Gregory Poirier's script gives these great actors room to dig deep. Ving Rhames is warmer and more open than I've seen him before, and Voight, a man torn between fear and compassion, does his most detailed work in years.

The climax, a frantic chase through the swamp that ends aboard a speeding train, has struck even some of *Rosewood*'s admirers (like Roger Ebert) as too much of an action-movie finish. Which poses a question. Is *Rosewood* a conventional escape movie with serious concerns, or a serious film that uses heart-pounding conventions to achieve catharsis? I'd say the latter, and I would add that the highly-acclaimed but thoroughly ugly *Mississippi Burning*, whose black characters were mostly cringing victims, did the same thing. *Rosewood* does it a lot better.

The sense one gets from *Rosewood* is that John Singleton was eager to tell a horrifying but ultimately satisfying story in which black people score a small win against the most appalling racism. As in *Schindler's List*, you win by surviving or fleeing. Singleton makes sure his fleeing heroes do some damage, too. Manipulative? Sure. But at the end of this long and bruising study of racism, it's hard to begrudge Singleton (or ourselves) the strong pleasure of a movie-ish blaze of glory.

## MOVIE LISTINGS

### ■ CINEMA 140

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#### *Friday (February 28) through Thursday (March 6)*

*Absolute Power* (R) — Fri: 5:00, 7:30, 10:00;

Sat/Sun: 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; Mon-Thu: 6:45, 9:15

*Booby Call* (R) — Fri: 4:30, 6:30, 9:00; Sat/Sun: 12:30, 2:30, 4:30, 6:30, 9:00;

Mon-Thu: 6:30, 10:00

*Vegas Vacation* (PG-13) — Fri-Sun: 7:30, 9:45; Mon-Thu: 6:45, 8:45

*Shine* (PG-13) — Fri: 5:00; Sat/Sun: 12:00, 2:30, 5:00; Mon-Thu: 8:00

*Fools Rush In* (PG-13) — Fri: 5:00, 7:15, 9:45;

Sat/Sun: 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:15, 9:45; Mon-Thu: 7:00, 9:15

*Donnie Brasco* (R) — Fri: 5:00, 7:30, 10:00;

Sat/Sun: 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; Mon-Thu: 6:45, 9:15

*Rosewood* (R) — Fri: 5:20, 8:00; Sat/Sun: 12:00, 2:40, 5:20, 8:00; Mon-Thu: 6:30, 9:00

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*The Empire Strikes Back* (PG) — 1:40, 2:20, 4:20, 5:00, 6:50, 8:00, 9:30

*Blood & Wine* (R) — 9:20

*Dante's Peak* (PG-13) — 2:00, 4:30, 6:50, 9:10

*Star Wars* (PG) — 1:50, 4:30, 7:00, 9:40

*Jerry Maguire* (R) — 1:35, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40

*That Darn Cat* (PG) — 2:10, 4:10, 6:30

*Everyone Says I Love You* (R) — 2:10, 4:40, 7:10

*The English Patient* (R) — 8:30

*Marvin's Room* (PG-13) — 2:30, 4:50, 7:30, 9:30

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Marie Hetzel will explore the natural history of the coyote, a species which is found with increasing frequency in our area. The program will feature an informational discussion followed by an art project. Pre-registration is required — to register or for further information, please call 748-2098 or 748-9089.

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Young people who want to meet the state requirements for those under 16 operating a power boat alone, those who wish to qualify for the discounts offered by some insurance companies to those who have successfully completed a basic safe boating course, new boaters, and those who wish to refresh their skills are welcome.

Registration will be held from 7:00 to 8:00 pm on Wednesday, March 12. The first class will meet from 7:00 to 9:00 pm on Wednesday, March 19. Classes will continue on Wednesdays through the rest of March and April.

For more information, please contact Renelle LeBlanc at 295-9121 or Jennifer Fletcher at 979-8779.

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*I feed my rabbit a diet of pellets and an occasional piece of lettuce and carrot. Is this adequate?*

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*What is wrong with an all pellet diet?*

Rabbit pellets are made for growing rabbits in rabbitries. The pellets have too much calcium (the cause of the thick, smelly urine produced by pet rabbits) and too little fiber. *What problems are associated with feeding a diet consisting predominantly of pellets?*

The most common problems are hairballs in the stomach, overgrown molars, obesity and diarrhea. Sometimes rabbits will chew carpets and electrical wires because their need to chew is not being satisfied.

*Dr. Gould can be reached at the  
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# Local Police Logs

## ■ ACUSHNET

*The following log excerpts are for the week of February 9 through February 15, 1997:*

- Main Street – suspicious motor vehicle
- Main Street – domestic disturbance
- Main Street – disorderly conduct/disturbing the peace
- Bernard Street – annoying/obscene phone calls
- Main Street – adult arrest (operating motor vehicle with suspended license, speeding)
- South Main Street – adult arrest (operating under the influence)
- Hope Street – runaway
- St. Lawrence Street – domestic disturbance
- Guillotte Street – domestic disturbance
- Hope Street – juvenile arrest (assault and battery on a police officer, threat to commit a crime)
- South Main Street – domestic disturbance/summons issued (assault and battery)
- Bernard Street – traffic accident/hit and run
- Main Street – larceny/breaking and entering into motor vehicle
- Main Street – adult arrest (larceny over \$250)
- South Main Street – assault with hands/fists
- Hathaway Road – adult arrest (stop sign violation,

- operating under the influence, negligent operation of motor vehicle)
- Lake Street – humane calls/injured animals
- Garfield Street – domestic disturbance
- Reservation Road – runaway
- Middle Road – traffic accident/hit and run
- Village Avenue – disturbance/noise complaint
- Main Street – humane calls/injured animals
- Main Street – vandalism
- South Main Street – disturbance/noise complaint
- Frank Street – assault with dangerous weapon/summons issued (assault with crowbar)
- Wamsutta Avenue – summons issued (vandalism, destruction of property over \$250, malicious threat to commit a crime)
- Quaker Lane – humane calls/injured animals
- Boylston Street – motor vehicle accident.

## ■ MARION

*The following log excerpts are for the week of February 16 through February 22, 1997:*

- Front Street – trespassing
- Front Street – larceny/past
- Brookhaven Lane – animal complaint
- Front Street – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Route 195 East – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Mill Street – suspicious person
- Delano Road – adult arrest (default warrant, motor vehicle violations)

- Front Street – suspicious activity
- Spinnaker Lane – animal complaint
- Abels Way – larceny/past
- Point Road – suspicious activity
- Mill Street – animal complaint
- Delano Road – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Main Street – animal complaint
- Wareham Road – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Point Road – incapacitated person
- Abels Way – disturbance
- Green Street – animal complaint
- Moorings Road – waterways complaint
- Washburn Park Road – hunting violation
- Vine Street – animal complaint
- Wareham Road – incapacitated person.

## ■ MATTAPOISETT

*The following log excerpts are for the week of February 19 through February 25, 1997:*

- Water Street – vandalism/damage to fence
- Mattapoisett Neck Road – suspicious motor vehicle (van)
- North Street – minors with alcohol
- North Street – youths throwing objects at motor vehicles
- North Street – found dog
- North Street – vandalism/property damage
- County Road – general

- disturbance (TV crew on property)
- Marion Road – adult arrest (warrant)
- Water Street – suspicious activity
- County Road – returned property
- North Street – adult arrest (warrant)
- Riverside Drive – simple threats
- Marion Road – adult arrest (warrant)
- Fairhaven Road – vandalism/destruction of property.

## ■ ROCHESTER

*The following log excerpts are for the week of February 19 through February 25, 1997:*

- Bennett Road – suspicious activity
- High Street – officer wanted
- Gerrish Road – vandalism
- Basset Road – vandalism
- Tilson Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Cranberry Highway – adult arrest
- Robinson Road – domestic disturbance
- County Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Steven's Road – vandalism
- Pine Street – suspicious activity
- Robinson Road – disorderly conduct
- Olde Middleboro Road – suspicious activity
- Old Colony Field House – breaking and entering
- Marion Road – vandalism.



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If you have any questions regarding recycling, please call the BOH office at 758-4112.

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# Regional Lunch Menus

## ■ COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION

**Monday, March 3** — Kentucky gumbo soup, stuffed cabbage with tomato sauce, rice, corn, honey wheat bread, fresh fruit.

**Tuesday, March 4** — Hamburger patty, macaroni and cheese, carrots, white bread, butterscotch pudding.

**Wednesday, March 5** — Roasted chicken leg, sweet potatoes, spinach, three grain bread, canned plums.

**Thursday, March 6** — Pot roast with gravy, whipped potatoes, broccoli, cranberry bread, sugar cookie.

**Friday, March 7** — Fish chowder, lemon pepper pollock, potato wedges, Français blend vegetables, marble bread, canned mixed fruit.

## ■ FAIRHAVEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

**Monday, March 3** — Hamburger/cheeseburger, mac rib sub, chicken salad sub, potato wedges, baked beans, chilled peaches, vanilla pudding with topping.

**Tuesday, March 4** — French meat pie with gravy, chicken patty club, shaved ham and cheese, whipped potatoes, French style green beans, chilled applesauce, oatmeal cookie.

**Wednesday, March 5** — Taco boat with all the fixings, Steak'Um and cheese sub, grilled cheese, Spanish rice, chili, tossed salad, peaches, baked custard with topping.

**Thursday, March 6** — Shaved turkey club, hamburger/cheeseburger, bologna and lettuce sub, parsleyed potatoes, carrots, chilled pears, blueberry jello with topping.

**Friday, March 7** — Vegetable minestrone soup, cheese pizza wedge, mac rib sub, egg salad sub, potato puffs, chilled peaches, apple squares.

## ■ FAIRHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

**Monday, March 3** — Meatball grinder, grated mozzarella, "hero" grinder, chicken salad roll, potato wedges, corn, peaches, blueberry jello with topping.

**Tuesday, March 4** — Spaghetti with meat sauce, grated mozzarella, double grilled cheese, mac rib sub, salad, green beans, applesauce, oatmeal cookie.

**Wednesday, March 5** — Baked lasagna, shaved turkey club, Italian grinder, oven potatoes, carrots, chilled peaches, chocolate pudding with topping.

**Thursday, March 6** — Roast turkey with gravy, hamburger/cheeseburger, hot ham and cheese, whipped potatoes, peas, baked apple, sweet potato, applesauce, apricot crisp with topping.

**Friday, March 7** — Baked macaroni and cheese, seafood salad pocket, turkey salad sub, salmon nuggets with creole sauce, potato puffs, peas, chilled pears, apple squares.

## ■ HASTINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL

**Monday, March 3** — Portuguese Day: Caçõila grinder, linguça pizza, potato wedges, baked beans, chilled peaches, vanilla pudding with topping.

**Tuesday, March 4** — French Day:

Shaved turkey croissant, shaved ham and cheese croissant, French meat pie with gravy, pommes de terre, French style green beans, pears, strawberry mousse with topping.

**Wednesday, March 5** — Mexican Day: Taco boat with all the fixings, Steak'Um fajita, Spanish rice, chili, Mexican salad, jalapeno peppers, chilled peaches, baked custard with topping.

**Thursday, March 6** — Irish Day: Corned beef and cabbage, chicken patty club, Irish boiled potatoes, steamed carrots, chilled applesauce, lime jello with topping.

**Friday, March 7** — Italian Day: Vegetable minestrone soup, Italian spice pizza, baked lasagna, antipasto, potato puffs, chilled peaches, apple squares.

## ■ OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE

**Monday, March 3** — Juice, Steak'Um and cheese, chips, broccoli, pudding.

**Tuesday, March 4** — Chicken fajitas with fixings, rice, corn, mixed fruit.

**Wednesday, March 5** — Macaroni salad, Italian grinder, green beans, cookie.

**Thursday, March 6** — Baked chicken, hash brown patty, carrots, cranberry sauce, frosted cake.

**Friday, March 7** — Vegetable soup, fishwich, or mini clam roll, French fries, cole slaw, dessert.

## ■ ORR JR. & SR. HIGH SCHOOL

**Monday, March 3** — Soup, grilled ham and cheese, or chicken patty, fries, pickles, juice or milk.

**Tuesday, March 4** — Spaghetti with meat sauce, or Steak'Um and cheese sub, garlic bread, green beans, juice or milk.

**Wednesday, March 5** — Soup, pastrami with cheese, or chicken fritters, puffs, pickles, juice or milk.

**Thursday, March 6** — Baked chicken, or ham and cheese croissant, glazed carrots, rice, roll, fruit, juice or milk.

**Friday, March 7** — Muffins, bagels, juice or milk.

## ■ ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL - FAIRHAVEN

**Monday, March 3** — Hamburger/cheeseburger, mac rib sub, chicken salad sub, potato wedges, baked beans, chilled peaches, vanilla pudding with topping.

**Tuesday, March 4** — French meat pie with gravy, chicken patty club, shaved ham and cheese, whipped potatoes, French style green beans, chilled applesauce, oatmeal cookie.

**Wednesday, March 5** — Taco boat with all the fixings, Steak'Um and cheese sub, grilled cheese, Spanish rice, chili, tossed salad, peaches, baked custard with topping.

**Thursday, March 6** — Shaved turkey club, hamburger/cheeseburger, bologna and lettuce sub, parsleyed potatoes, carrots, chilled pears, blueberry jello with topping.

**Friday, March 7** — Vegetable minestrone soup, cheese pizza wedge, mac rib sub, egg salad sub, potato puffs, chilled peaches, apple squares.

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A meeting will be held on Saturday, March 8 at the Rochester Woman's Club, Route 105 in Rochester from 10:00 to 11:30 am. For more information, please call Amy or Rob at 617-293-3541.

### School Committee Meetings

The following is a schedule of area School Committee meetings for the month of March. All meetings (except the joint March 31 meeting) will be preceded by a public hearing on the 1997-1998 school budget. All meetings are slated to begin at 7:30 pm:

- Wednesday, March 5 - Marion School Committee, Sippican School;
- Monday, March 10 - Mattapoissett School Committee, Old Hammondtown School;
- Tuesday, March 11 - ORR District School Committee, ORR High School;

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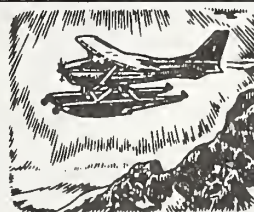
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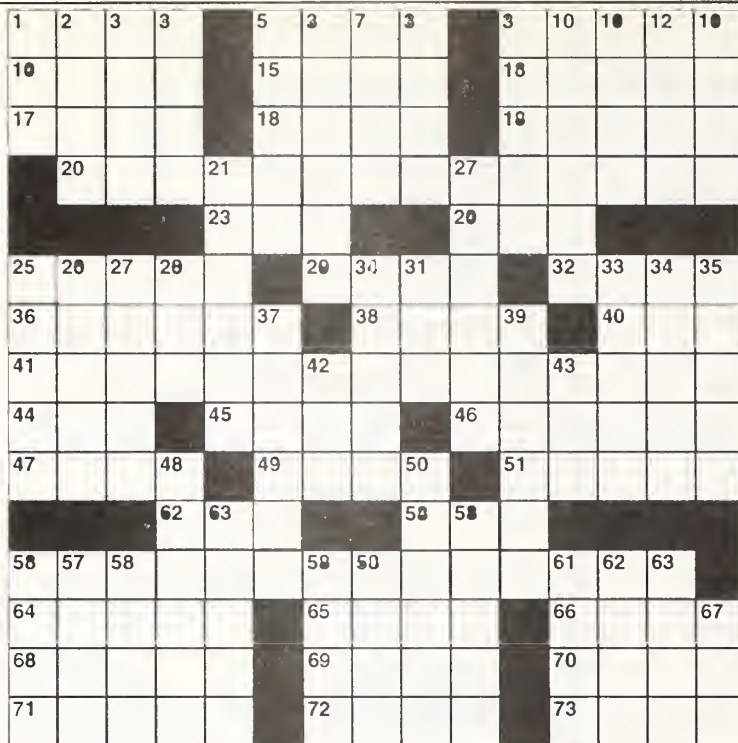


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9 Move effortlessly  
14 Whimper  
15 "Picnic" author  
16 Quiver item  
17 Strong as —  
18 "Death in the Family" author  
19 New Zealand native  
20 Begin  
23 Musical syllable  
24 Card game  
25 Chicago Bears name  
29 Movie dog  
32 Huck's transportation  
36 Egyptian deity  
38 Boaters  
40 Sine —
- 41 Overreact  
44 Sheridan or Sothorn  
45 Long ago  
46 Took up anchor  
47 Type of egg?  
49 "Daily Planet" reporter  
51 Thin  
52 Consumed  
54 US Army member  
56 Owing too much  
64 Bays  
65 Bandleader  
66 WWII enemy  
68 Chris of tennis  
69 Wheel hub  
70 Kind of gin  
71 DeVito or Thomas  
72 Toboggan  
73 Sea bird

## DOWN

- 1 Auditor, maybe  
2 Put up, as a painting  
3 Medicinal plant  
4 Topic  
5 Spinnet, e.g.  
6 Ms. Lansbury  
7 "Rock of —"  
8 Shoal  
9 Brief role for a star  
10 William Jennings Bryan, e.g.  
11 In —(lined up)  
12 Tender  
13 Tease  
21 Harden  
22 Pleases greatly  
25 Navaho lodge  
26 United  
27 NFL team  
28 Canine comment  
30 Gloss  
31 Little bit  
33 An Astaire  
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35 Bear named for a president  
37 Furnace tender  
39 Probe  
42 Charlemagne's domain: abbr.  
43 Dessert  
48 Saloon  
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60 "Hud" actress  
61 "— of Eden"  
62 Wheel holder  
63 Fashion name  
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## This Week's Horoscope

by Linda Black

**Aries (March 21-April 19).** You've got an assignment due and your sweetheart's in an argumentative mood. Ask for help and you'll get it.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20).** You'll have to work your brain to the bone. You're in an imaginative mood. A commitment made now will stick.

**Gemini (May 21-June 21).** Start new writing projects. Watch what you say. In fact, don't say much at all. Finish up everything you've been doing but don't start anything new.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22).** Spend time on a tough assignment. Don't make any dates, but schedule something very special for later.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22).** You don't have much money, but you've got lots of smarts. They'll eventually make you rich. Stay home and go over your bills.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** You work hard for the money. The good news is that your scheme is quite profitable. You'll be very smart. Yes, you can get it all done.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** You're even more confident and attractive than usual. Unfortunately, you can't spend all day socializing. You have a job to do.

**Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** Stay close to home. Finish that project you've been feeling guilty about. You'll come into your full power soon.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** Gather with old friends and you'll learn all sorts of interesting things. A meeting goes well, but avoid a trap.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** You're even smarter than usual. Use those brains to find another source of funds. Ask questions. Do research.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** You're powerful and lucky. Start new projects. Somebody wants to tell you what to do. What's worse — you have to do it.

**Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20).** You're strong and cute. Use that charm to increase your income. Apply for a job. Pay bills. Comply with an older person's wishes without complaining.

**If You're Having a Birthday This Week:** A wise investment protects your future. Pay off all your bills and turn your life around. Save up your money to travel in the autumn.



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- Monday, March 31 - Joint Meeting of the ORR

District School Committee and the Massachusetts School  
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## The Machacam Club - Mattapoisett

The Machacam Club will hold its next meeting on  
Wednesday, March 5 at the American Legion Hall on  
Depot Street in Mattapoisett. Social hour will be at 5:30  
pm with dinner service beginning at 6:00 pm.

The speaker this month will be Richard J.  
Rambur, Superintendent of New Bedford Whaling  
National Historic Park. Richard will fill us in on the  
current status of the park and discuss the long-term  
development plans for the area.

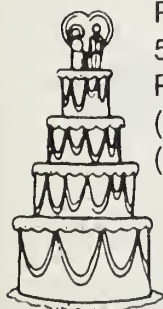
Callers are reminded to report their lists no later  
than 9:00 pm on March 3. Last minute changes and  
reservations may be made by calling Mike Lamoureux at  
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## Marion Art Center

The Marion Art Center announces the following  
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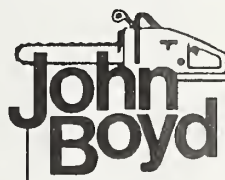
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## LEGAL NOTICES

### TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, March 4, 1997 - 7:30pm in the Town Hall on the Request for a Determination of Applicability submitted by SITEC, Inc., 13 Welby Road, New Bedford, MA 02745.

The proposed project is to request approval of a wetland delineation. The project is located at Noyes Avenue and is further identified as Lot 6 on Assessors Map 12A. Conservation Commission. 02/28

### TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#664 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Richard Canning, d/b/a R.F. Morse & Sons, Inc., who is seeking a special permit to allow a sign larger than allowed under Section IV D.2. of Protective Bylaws. Property is located at 22 Cranberry Highway, Assessors Plan 17, Lot 41C. Public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, March 13, 1997 at 7:30pm in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall.  
Charles Wolf, Chairman  
02/28, 03/07

## LEGAL NOTICES

### TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#665 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Kevin W. Forgue for a variance from setback requirements under Section VIII B of protective bylaws. Property is located at 7 Union Church Terrace, Assessors plan 29, Lot 47. Public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, March 13, 1997 at 7:45pm in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall.  
Charles Wolf, Chairman  
02/28, 03/07

### TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#666 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Ernest J. Davoll who is seeking a variance from setback requirements for a major farm structure located at 400 Rounseville Road, Assessors Plan 31, Lot 15. Public hearing will be conducted on Thursday, March 13, 1997 at 8:15pm in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall.  
Charles Wolf, Chairman 02/28, 03/07

### TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF SELECTMEN NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Selectmen will conduct a public hearing on the petition of NYNEX who is seeking permission to erect three jointly owned poles located on Neck Road. This work is necessary to place mid-span poles to accommodate placement of cable. Public hearing is scheduled for Monday, March 10, 1997 at 7:15pm in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall.  
Rochester Board of Selectmen  
Lorraine Roy Hawks, Chairman  
02/28, 03/07

### TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF HEALTH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Rochester Board of Health will hold a public hearing at the Rochester Town Hall on March 19, 1997 at 8:00pm to discuss the proposed regulation to the Rochester Rules and Regulations.

01. The minimum setback to wetlands, watercourses, bordering vegetated wetlands shall be 100 feet from the soil absorption system.

Filling or replicating wetlands in order to attain minimal required setbacks is prohibited.

02. Procedures for seeking variances/waiver from Rochester Board of Health.

Copies of the proposed regulations are available at the Board of Health Office. Board of Health

John Lafreniere, Chairman

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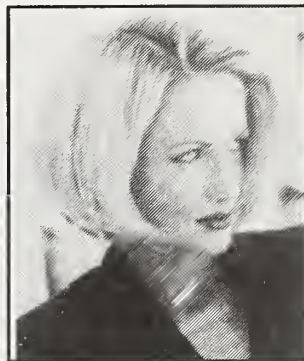
• Exhibition Committee of the MAC will meet on Tuesday, March 4 at 4:00 pm to review work and plan out the 1998 calendar. Artists wishing to be considered should submit up to 20 slides or bring in five to six framed pieces. The Board of Directors of the Marion Art Center will meet on Wednesday, March 5 at 7:30 pm in the Marion Art Center.

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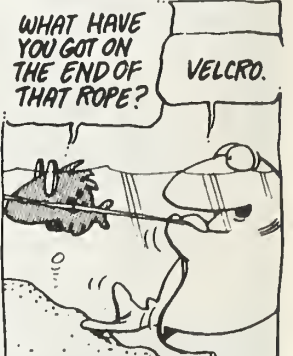
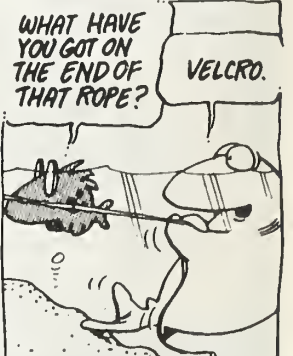
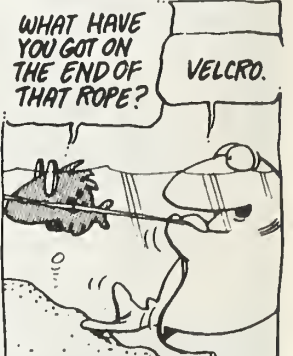
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- Auditions for the MAC summer musical, "Stairway to Paradise," featuring Gershwin tunes and directed by Paul Sardinha, will be held on Wednesday, April 9 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm.

- Rehearsals are under way for "I Hate Hamlet," a comedy by Paul Rudnick, to be presented at the Marion Art Center the last weekend in April and the first weekend in May. The hilarious show will be directed by Christopher LeBlanc (who also performs in the show) and features Donn Tyle, Anthony Kandel, Anthony Kandel, Cheryl Larson, Joan Olsen, Jane Babbitt, and some surprises. Reservations are recommended.

For information and/or registration, please call the MAC office at 748-1266.

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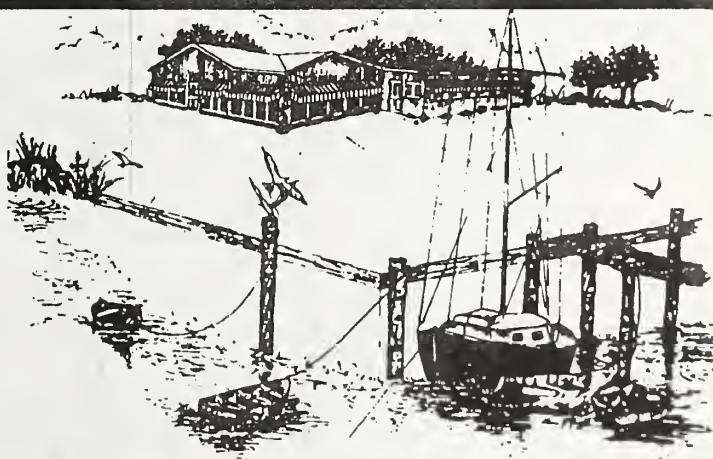
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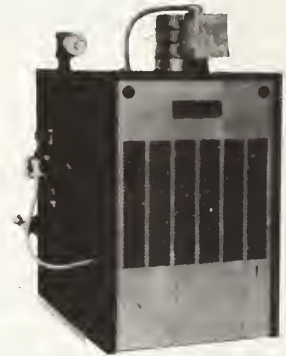
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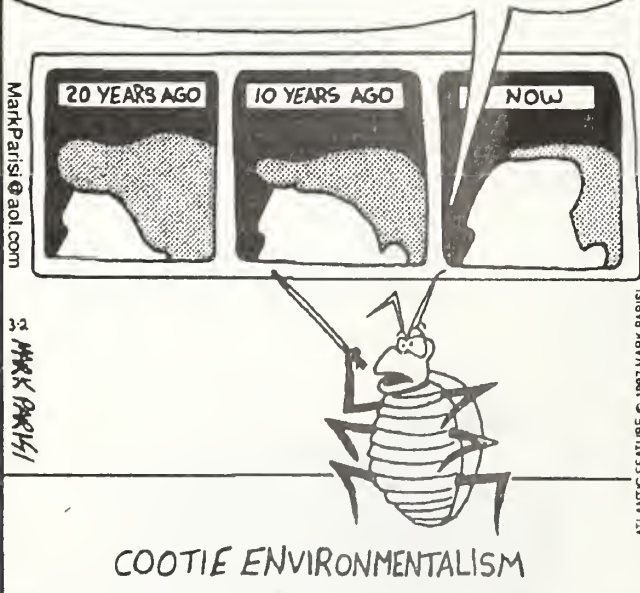
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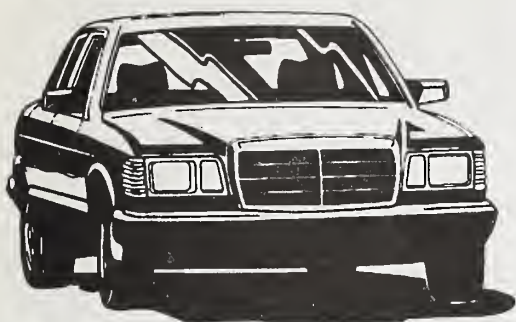
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		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
February 28:	Fri.	11:49	...	4:47	5:00
March 1:	Sat.	12:17	12:44	5:37	5:52
March 2:	Sun.	1:16	1:46	6:36	6:53
March 3:	Mon.	2:20	2:51	7:45	8:03
March 4:	Tues.	3:24	3:53	9:00	9:10
March 5:	Wed.	4:23	4:51	10:12	10:30
March 6:	Thur.	5:19	5:45	11:14	11:34
March 7:	Fri.	6:13	6:38	...	12:08
March 8:	Sat.	7:03	7:27	12:30	12:58
March 9:	Sun.	7:53	8:16	1:23	1:45
March 10:	Mon.	8:42	9:05	2:13	2:31
March 11:	Tues.	9:31	9:54	3:02	3:16
March 12:	Wed.	10:21	10:45	3:51	4:01
March 13:	Thur.	11:12	11:39	4:40	4:47
March 14:	Fri.	...	12:07	5:32	5:36
March 15:	Sat.	12:35	1:05	6:32	6:36
March 16:	Sun.	1:35	2:05	7:51	7:48
March 17:	Mon.	2:36	3:05	9:27	9:28
Phases of the Moon	Last Quarter	March 2nd			
	New Moon	March 8th			
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